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The aim of this book is to offer a concise and accessible exposition of Ortega's core philosophical claims, with the ultimate aim of analysing his account of the Aristotelian notion of substance ('ousía'), and of the question of being more generally, as a belief in the Orteguian sense of the term – that is, as a historical, socially inherited interpretation of reality.

Readership

This book is primarily directed at academics and university graduates interested in the philosophy of José Ortega y Gasset or academics who, despite not being Ortega scholars, are working on the reception of ancient metaphysical thought in 20th-century philosophy. More broadly, the book will be of interest to scholars working on metaphysics, ontology, epistemology, Hispanic studies, history of ancient philosophy and history of contemporary philosophy.

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Provides a coherent and systematic analysis of Ortega's account of the Aristotelian notion of substance, and of the question of being more generally, as a belief, in Ortega's specific sense of the term.

Provides a coherent and systematic analysis of Ortega's foundational ontological claim that my life (each one's) is the radical reality.

Provides a coherent and systematic analysis of Ortega's epistemological views.

Constitutes the first book written in English to focus on Ortega's account of the question of being.

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